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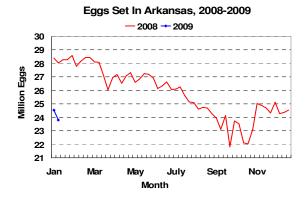
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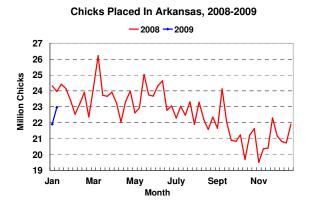
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Arkansas Chick Placements Down 4 Percent from Last Year

Broiler-type chicks placed for meat production in Arkansas were 23.0 million during the week ending January 10, 2009. Placements were down 4 percent from the comparable week in 2008 but up 5 percent from the previous week.

Arkansas hatcheries set 23.8 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending January 10, 2009, down 15 percent from the same period last year and down 3 percent from the previous week.





Broiler Eggs Set and Chicks Placed in 19 Major States by Week, December 13, 2008 - January 10, 2009

State	Eggs Set Week Ending					Chicks Placed Week Ending				
		Thousand					Thousand			
Alabama	29,339	28,700	28,941	28,950 *	28,904	20,849	19,908	19,864	19,944 *	20,304
Arkansas	25,115	24,188 *	24,366	24,538	23,799	21,173	20,812	20,734	21,908	22,969
Delaware	3,338	3,358	3,244	3,358 *	3,358	4,183	4,940	4,221	4,633 *	4,869
Florida	1,271	1,013	963	963	963	987	1,060	1,103	978	798
Georgia	32,540	32,778	32,669	32,528	32,609	26,559	27,123	26,376	27,662 *	27,440
Kentucky	7,630 *	7,867	7,512	7,848	7,502	6,388	6,028	6,010 *	5,842 *	6,609
Louisiana	3,424	3,424	3,411	3,424	3,424	3,326	3,228	3,287	3,388	3,400
Maryland	8,512	8,911	8,749	8,613	8,719	6,215	5,288	5,970	5,850 *	6,069
Mississippi	17,500	17,194	17,372	17,491	17,401	15,672	15,501	15,463	15,583	15,472
N. Carolina	19,012	18,419 *	18,581	18,799 *	18,387	15,274	15,805	15,377 *	15,834 *	15,414
Oklahoma	6,816	6,765 *	6,839	6,639	6,518	4,465	5,545	5,258	4,143	3,633
Pennsylvania	4,346	4,281	3,732	3,918	3,878	3,218	3,339	3,383	3,376	3,198
S. Carolina	5,566	5,698 *	5,673	5,555	5,697	4,818	5,058	5,071	4,423	4,676
Texas	15,273 *	15,290	15,490	15,503	15,342	12,922	12,992 *	12,842 *	12,961 *	13,113
Virginia	6,218	5,964	5,958	5,969	5,849	5,225	4,952	4,515	4,660	4,476
CA,MO,TN & WV	19,339 *	19,555 *	19,166 *	18,543 *	19,274	16,624	16,609 *	16,817 *	17,514 *	15,738
19 State Total	205,239 *	203,405 *	202,666 *	202,639 *	201,624	167,898	168,188 *	166,291 *	168,699 *	168,178
Prev. Year Total	217,613	218,612	218,815	217,209	215,444	178,626	179,381	175,417	177,800	178,512
% of Prev. Year	94	93	93	93	94	94	94	95	95	94

^{*} Revised in current week.

Broiler-Type Eggs Set In 19 Selected States Down 6 Percent

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 202 million eggs in incubators during the week ending January 10, 2009. This was down 6 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 84 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

Broiler Chicks Placed Down 6 Percent

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 168 million chicks for meat production during the week ending January 10, 2009. Placements were down 6 percent from the comparable week a year earlier.